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Grand Traverse Bay YMCA

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Y DAY CAMP – SUMMER 2009

The Grand Traverse Bay YMCA is pleased to announce its 2009 Summer Day Camp Season with a broad spectrum of day camp opportunities for children ages 3 ½ to grade 9. Y Day Camp will be offered from June 15 to September 4 this year, available each week Monday – Friday, 6:30 am to 6:00 pm. The majority of the camps will be held at the YMCA main facility at 3000 Racquet Club Drive, just south of Airport Road in Traverse City and the Boardman Nature area adjacent to the Y.

“Day Camp provides a camp style setting where children from ages 3 ½ to grade 9 will not only build lasting friendships but also will experience programs based on the core values of the YMCA of caring, respect, honesty, and responsibility,” commented Molly Brown, Y Director of Child Care and Camps. “Each camp will have team building, activities, arts and crafts, and field trips based on a weekly theme for each of the day camp groups.”

The Grand Traverse Bay YMCA continues its tradition of summer day camps supervised by quality adult staff in a State of Michigan licensed program. During the summer 200 children will experience weekly thematic camping activities based on age group in 6 major camps program areas.

In addition to Traditional Y Day Camp, this year there are two new camps being offered. “K-Camp” is offered exclusively for kids entering Kindergarten, with age appropriate activities similar to Y Traditional Day Camp. “Y Arts Camp” will feature 4 weeks of activities for campers entering grades 4 – 6 allowing them to experience different mediums as an introductory and interest level in the arts.

As in past years, the Y will continue to offer Y Leaders Club for teens and Y Sports Cam for grades 4 – 6. Y Young Explorers Camp will be offered again for campers aged 3 ½ to 4 years, but this summer will be held at the air conditioned Y Child Care Center at 1100 Woodmere, Suite B in Traverse City.

Registration cost varies with camp. Members always receive a reduced rate. At registration a \$10 deposit for each week will be required. All non-members will pay a \$25 program membership in addition to all registration fees.

Information about the Y Day Camp is featured on the YMCA website at www.gtbayymca.org where forms and the 2009 Registration & Parents Book can be downloaded. This information is also available

at the Front Desk of the main YMCA facility at 3000 Racquet Club Drive (231-933-9622) or contact Molly Brown at the Y Child Care Center (231-421-3568) or childcare@gtbayymca.org .